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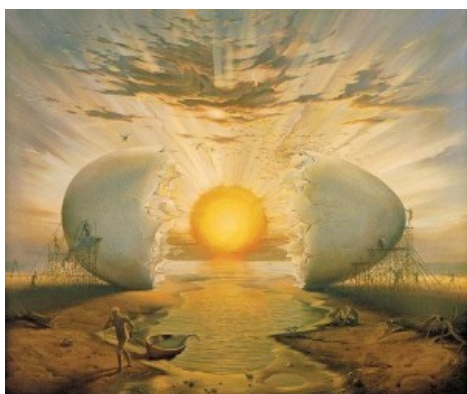
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Why celebrate 2007?

- **2007** marks 100 years of Scouting. In 1907, Lord Baden Powell ran his experimental camp, on Brownsea Island on the South coast of England, for 20 young London boys from different social backgrounds.
- In **2007** over 500,000,000 men and women from most of the 216 countries and cultures in the world will have promised to live by the Scout Promise and Law.
- **2007** is an opportunity for us to demonstrate the unique value of Scouting to the world and to celebrate the achievements of 100 years of Scouting.
- **2007** marks the 150th anniversary of the birth of our founder, Lord Robert Baden Powell, who was born on 22nd February 1857.
- **2007** is the dawn of a new century of Scouting. We should celebrate the future of Scouting and look to how we can improve it to meet the needs of even more young people, their families and communities world-wide.



Centenary Logo

- The 2007 Centenary logo represents:
- The sunrise on the new century.
 - The environment.
 - 2007 as our 100th year.
 - The world celebration of 2007.
 - Peace, our mission.

The lower part of the logo shows the world-wide 2007 theme and can be adapted to display the appropriate language for each country.



Cubs



JamboRally was held Sat 28 October at Ratanga Junction, an awesome day for all 1436 present. The Cub Edward Shield, Scout Quinn & Cross-country were included in the day as well as a meal and rides. 2nd Somerset West took Edward, 1st Durbanville Cross-country & 1st Bergvliet the Area Quinn.



JAMBORALLY RATANGA 2006



EDWARD

CROSS-COUNTRY

QUINN



This years unforgettable Senior Scout Adventure, took place 28 December 2006 to 8 January 2007 in the Cederberg Wilderness. Prior to and after the adventure encumbered an immense amount of background work by volunteer Scout / Scouter staff, setting everything up and later dismantling, working to special logistical plans A or B... thanks to Rod Harker taking care of all the pre and after co-ordinating... (wow - did you know that 22 tons of food was consumed on this years Cederberg!)

On the first day, busses arrived and Patrols assembled at Kalkoenfontein Camp HQ. Here trail rations were drawn, Patrols met others and made various plans to prepare for their trips. Thereafter, each Patrol followed a pre-chosen hiking itinerary that took it backpacking for 10 days along trails and across mountains - camping on the trail or at the various Activity Centres, climbing peaks and swimming - to reach the various activity bases and participate in their programs. On the eve of the last day, all Patrols re-assembled again at Camp HQ for a final Campfire before departure by bus.



The number of participants were restricted to Patrols of 10, due to the Adventure taking place in a Wilderness Area. This year we had 52 Patrols making 504 participants and 160 staff members. The hike routes were designed so that the popular activities - such as Dutch Oven Cooking and Water Activities were visited by all Patrols. 12 countries were represented with teams from Namibia, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Saudi Arabia, New Zealand, America, Ireland and Belgium.

Activities offered were Para-sailing above the water at Clanwilliam Dam, The ultimate Stalking Challenge, Boardsailing, Water Skiing, Diving for Treasure, Astronomy, Commando Course Challenge, Reflector & Dutch Oven Cooking, Clay Pigeon and Target Shooting, Rock Climbing on Sneeuberg, Gold Panning, Electronics, Handcrafts, T-shirt dyeing, Canoe & Backwoodsman Trips, Disability Awareness, Archery, Aeroplane Flying, Pizza Making, Model Rocketry and much more, including an Aids awareness base.

By all accounts, international participants as well as local Scouts all agreed that it was a world-class event of Scouting in action and true adventure. Special thanks to John Mutti the mastermind of this years adventure and his support team!



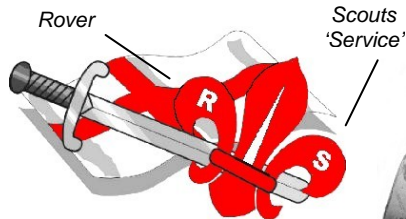
Congratulations to a team of Scouts from 3rd Pinelands, 1st Bothasig & 1st Hermanus, who under the leadership of Thomas Schrick, reached the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro on Thursday 18 Jan





Knight / Samurai – "To Serve"

Rovers



Scouts
'Service'



ROVER SERVICE (What Rovers Do)

"Rover Scouting is a Brotherhood (Men and Women) of the Open Air and Service." 'Service' is the Scout Rover motto. In Cubs, the Cub promises 'to do a good turn to somebody every day'. This should grow into the Scout's daily good turn and undertaking to 'help other people at all times', and this logically, leads to Rover Service. The founder said:

"The Rover Scout's Service must be firstly to him/herself, then to the Scout Movement and lastly to the Community. When you have established yourself, when you have learned to serve in the Movement, then - and only then - go out and offer service to the community according to your talents." (Baden Powell)

Group and Community Service

There are many examples of Rover Crews undertaking worthwhile service to Scouting and the community. These occasions, beneficial in themselves, will stimulate further effort on the part of the individual Rovers. Such things as the Crew acting as marshals at rallies, undertaking behind-the-scenes work at large camps / Jamborees (it was the work of Rover Scouts in the days of the early Jamborees that first made the Movement as a whole realise the potential of Rover Scouting), acting as judges at Competitions, helping to organise Sports Meetings, Swimming Galas, Courses, etc. and, in fact, taking part in any large event where a number of trained young men / women are necessary for success.

For service to the community the list is endless: helping in hospitals, especially in periods of epidemics and at Christmas; being trained and ready to move in to deal with any emergency such as an accident, flooding or fire; assisting with a hospital library service; undertaking special service to old people; assisting with physically challenged Scout Groups and children who are not Scouts. Finally, remember that service is carried out not in order to win favour, but as an expression of an obligation freely entered into at the time of the Rover Scout's Investiture.



28 December to 13 January saw scores of foreign Rovers from all over the world visiting our country. They started off in

Mafikeng at the Mafikeng SCENE (Scout Centre of Excellence for Nature and the Environment) where they had a moot (gathering of Rovers). The SCENE is situated 5km from the city of Mafikeng and 320 km from Johannesburg, close to South Africa's northern border with Botswana. Activities at the SCENE were special in that this was one of the places of origin of Scouting and included an unforgettable new year party and projects on site. The absolute highlight was seeing in the Centenary of Scouting while on a Scouting adventure. Thereafter 86 Rovers boarded a train to Cape Town where they spent 4 nights at the Sea Scout Base in Sandvlei. Here they were hosted by local Rovers and Scouters. Despite the short time on hand, they managed to get to Boulders, Robben Island, the Waterfront for shopping and eating, up to the Scout Mountain Club Hut on Table Mountain and even got to see some of Cape Town's night life. On the morning of Wednesday 10 January, they all packed up again, boarded a train at Lakeside to get to Cape Town and then back to Johannesburg where they were hosted by Gauteng Rovers for a night or two, before flying back to the UK and Europe. Our local Scouters and Rovers who came to visit and assist with transport, enjoyed getting to know the foreign contingent and there was plenty of contact info

exchanged. In return, hospitality has been offered when some of us go to the UK later in the year for the World Jamboree. Charles Prince (AAC Rovers)



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